

## AMENDMENT

### In the Claims:

A. Please cancel Claims 1-22, drawn to a method to cultivate an organism, without prejudice.

B. Please cancel Claims 24-26, drawn to a method, without prejudice.

C. Please amend Claim 23, drawn to a composition, as follows:

23. (**Amended**) A solid fruiting body of Zang Zhi which has the same characteristics of physiological activities of triterpenoid as that of wild Zang Zhi, obtained by the steps comprising:

culturing solid Zang Zhi with "Bag Log" containing 10-70% cellulolytic substance, 10-30% of starch resource, 5-15% of millet, 1-10% of saccharides, 0.5-2% phosphate, and 0.1-1% sulfate salt, with a relative humidity maintained at 60-80%, pH of the cultural medium is adjusted to be neutral and inoculated with spawn to culture mycelium,

removing said "Bag Log",

exposing said sawdust medium to the air for a period of time, and

forming conoid fruiting body.

**D. Please amend Claim 27, drawn to a composition, as follows:**

27. (Amended) A cultured solid fruiting body of Zang Zhi, which uses the spawn coded CCRC 35398 as deposited in the Food Industry and Development Institute, wherein the cultured solid Zang Zhi fruiting body has the characteristics of physiological activities of triterpenoid which are the same as wild Zang Zhi solid fruiting body and is derived from the following steps comprising:

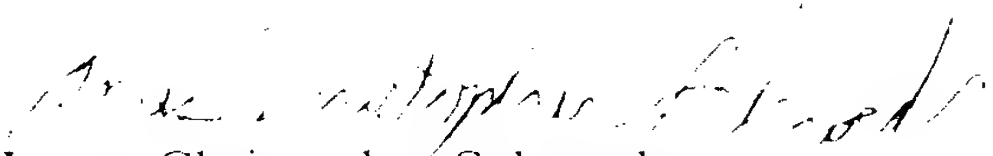
culturing solid Zang Zhi with "Bag Log" containing 10-70% cellulolytic substance, 10-30% of starch resource, 5-15% of millet, 1-10% of saccharides, 0.5-2% phosphate, and 0.1-1% sulfate salt, with a relative humidity maintained at 60-80%, pH of the cultural medium is adjusted to be neutral and inoculated with spawn to culture mycelium,

removing said "Bag Log",

exposing said sawdust medium to the air for a period of time, and  
forming conoid fruiting body,

wherein said conoid fruiting body comprises a fruiting body which is conoid, 10-20 cm in diameter, 20-30 cm in height, and 0.3-0.5 kilogram in weight.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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